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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PEPR;PBOR, TU, GR, CY

SUBJECT: TURKISH PROPOSALS ON CYPRUS; AVEROFF VISIT

1. FOLLOWING DISCUSSION OF OTHER SUBJECTS WITH TURKISH  
AMBASSADOR ESENBEL MARCH 7 (SEPTTEL), COUNSELOR NIMETZ EM-  
PHASIZED OUR HOPE THAT UPCOMING ECEVIT/CARAMANLIS SUMMIT  
MEETING WOULD BE SUCCESS AS STEP TOWARD IMPROVED GREEK-  
TURKISH BILATERAL RELATIONSHIP. THIS WOULD PROVIDE POSITIVE  
IMPETUS TO PROGRESS ON BOTH AEGEAN AND CYPRUS. REFERRING TO  
FORTHCOMING TURKISH CYPRIOT PROPOSALS, NIMETZ SAID THAT  
WORLD OPINION WOULD JUDGE THEM ON THEIR CONTENT AND NOT JUST  
ON REACTION OF THE GREEK CYPRIOTS OR GREEKS TO THEM. NIMETZ  
REITERATED US HOPE THAT TURKISH PROPOSALS WOULD BE ENOUGH OF  
A POSITIVE FORCE TO PROVIDE MOMENTUM TOWARD A CYPRUS SOLU-  
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TION.

2. ALONG LINES EARLIER INQUIRY BY TURKISH EMBOFF (STATE  
158275) ESENBEL ASKED ABOUT VISIT OF GREEK DEFENSE MINISTER  
AVEROFF IN WASHINGTON. NIMETZ EXPLAINED THAT AVEROFF WAS  
HERE TO PROMOTE THE SALES OF ENGLISH EDITION OF HIS BOOK AND  
WOULD NOT HAVE OFFICIAL APPOINTMENTS EITHER IN STATE OR

DEFENSE DEPARTMENTS. THE SECRETARY HAD HOSTED A SMALL  
DINNER MARCH 6 AND AVEROFF HAD PAID COURTESY CALL ON VICE  
PRESIDENT MARCH 7. NIMETZ NOTED THAT AVEROFF HAD APPEARED  
SOMEWHAT SKEPTICAL RE LIKELY RESULTS OF MARCH 10-11 ECEVIT-

CARAMANLIS SUMMIT IN MONTREUX. IN RESPONSE ESENBEL QUESTION,  
NIMETZ CONFIRMED THAT US WAS NOT PRESSING FOR GOG SIGNATURE  
OF GREEK DCA. VANCE

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